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Source reports the following basic directives for SED press propagandar

- a) Sharp criticism of all nationalism and chauvinism. Adenauer, and Schumacher are accused of appealing to nationalistic feelings for popular effect. The SED may publish an article on "German peace treaties from Brest-Litovsk to Complegne". SED will oppose a United States of Europa.
- In the five satellite peace treaties, Russia has fought for lower reparations and against the plundering of the conquered coun-
- c) Material will be made available on the plundering of Germany in the west. There industry is being sold out to foreign cavital: patents have been taken over without being credited to reparations.
- d) The coalition between the right wing of the SPD and the right wing of the CSU means that Catholicism has regained its political power in Germany. The SED is very strongly opposed to this coalition of anti-Maraist socialists with ultramontanism. The SET will attempt to uniterall progressive elements in Germany under the banner of the unity of Germany.
- e) With regard to possible German advisers at the Moscow Conference, the SED opposes all former diplomats and pre-1933 émigrés, and also does not want the present German administrations to be represented. The SED would recommend delegates of the German working class, of the trade unions, and of the political parties.
- The same source reports that the SED is striving, with Russian support, to attain recognition as the foremost democratic element in Germany before the Moscow Conference. The German people and foreign countries are to be convinced that the SED, representing the entire German working class, is almost the only guarantee of a peaceful. democratic development in Germany. The SPD, on the other hand, is

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accused of a chauvinistic policy, especially against Russia. The SED will continue to challenge the SPD to go along with 1t on all socialist measures and will accuse it of being reactionary if it refuses. In regard to the CDU, the SED will attempt to widen the cleavage between Kaiser and Adenauer. To this end the SED will pretend to accept Kaiser's "Christian Socialism" at face value and ask the CDU to put it into practice by supporting socialistic legislation.

3. According to another source, the SED top leader in Charlottenburg, Paul Maslowski, has resigned. The official reason given was a "difference of opinion" and the party leadership. According to source, Maslowski was guilty of accepting bribes from Nazis. Dr. Wolfslast, generally regarded as the most capable SED man in Charlottenburg, has also resigned for the same official reason. His successor in the Berlin Assembly should have been Fridel Schiller, the part cardidate on the SED list, but the post was offered to lichard Barth, who refused it. The third name on the list is Max Wousig; however, the Charlottenburg party directorate does not want him and bas proposed Metaner, the fourth on the list. Meanwhile, the youth group within the Charlottenburg SED is angry about the way Fridel Schiller was passed over and has addressed a statement on the matter to the directorate. No decision had been reached as of 11 January. Source one also reports dissatisfaction in the SED; Dr. Acker, SED Bürgermeister of Berlin, has stated privately that he is grossly dissatisfied with party policies and intends to resign.

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